

**California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley**

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University of the Pacific  
Stockton, California

**Air Quality and Environmental Protection  
Water Quality, Supply and Reliability  
Energy Workgroups**

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RE: Air/Water-Energy Workgroup “Report Out” of Scope of Work and  
Recommendations from September 16, 2005 University of Pacific Partnership  
Formation Meeting

Workgroup Attendees: Mike Chrisman, California Resources Secretary; Allan Lloyd, California Environmental Protection Agency Secretary; Coke Hallowell, San Joaquin River Parkway Trust; Pete Weber, liaison to the Federal Interagency Task Force; Barbara Patrick, liaison to the California Air Resources Board; and Paul Boyer, Mayor of Farmersville. Approximately 10 members of the public attended the Workgroup meeting. No signup roster was used. Recorder, Jim Tischer, California Water Institute, California State University, Fresno.

Source Document Links:

Governor Schwarzenegger Executive Order S-5-05 Establishing California Partnership for San Joaquin Valley: <http://www.bth.ca.gov/capartnership/sanjoaquinvalley.asp>

UOP Formation Meeting Agenda: [http://www.bth.ca.gov/news\\_pub/pdf/Agenda9-16-05\\_2\\_CASJValleyPartnership.pdf](http://www.bth.ca.gov/news_pub/pdf/Agenda9-16-05_2_CASJValleyPartnership.pdf)

Overall Approach to Workplan:

<http://www.bth.ca.gov/capartnership/pdf/OverallApproachtoWorkPlan.pdf>

Draft “Scopes of Work” for all 9 Workgroups:

<http://www.bth.ca.gov/capartnership/pdf/ScopesofWorkSummary.pdf>

The Air /Water Workgroup coalesced well and immediately addressed each major work area in detail. Additionally the Workgroup determined that Energy and Energy Efficiency should be addressed as part of the overall Partnership Workplan. The Workgroup recommends to the Partnership that Energy be included as part of the Water Workgroup rather than designating an additional workgroup.

Specific Recommendations to each Workplan follow: (changes indicated in ***bold italics***)

**Air Quality and Environmental Protection**

- Evaluate, recommend ***and implement*** alternative paths to generate funding to invest in new research and technology to accelerate deployment of emission-reducing technologies.

- Evaluate, *prioritize* and recommend strategies to reduce emissions from on-road and off-road mobile sources.
- Evaluate, recommend and *implement* strategies to reduce emissions from stationary sources.
- Coordinate with the Land Use, Agriculture and Housing Workgroups (*add Transportation Workgroup*) to evaluate, recommend and *implement* land use planning practices with a view to mitigate air quality impacts.
- Evaluate and recommend changes in governmental oversight to ensure a unified approach to implementation of recommended strategic plan.

#### *Added items*

- *Explore and recommend strategies for widespread adoption of renewable energy and biofuels in San Joaquin Valley to enhance ongoing air quality improvements strategies.*
- *Explore major transportation modes with respect to reducing air emissions (example expanded rail service versus truck transportation for bulk commodities and products)*

Note: Workgroup recommended close coordination with San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District for developing final recommendations.

#### **Water Quality, Supply, Reliability and Energy**

- Survey all relevant state, federal and local agencies, entities and individuals regarding existing needs, water projects and institutional barriers.

**Note: Workgroup recommended that Partnership merge all water efforts with existing San Joaquin Valley Regional Water Plan development currently underway. All elements noted above will be addressed in regional plan. M. Chrisman suggested that San Joaquin Valley Regional Water Plan proponents use current DWR Bulletin 160 as a major source document for the San Joaquin Valley Partnership Plan.**

**DWR Bulletin 160 link:** <http://www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/cwpu2005/index.cfm>

San Joaquin Valley Regional Water Plan-Overview Report link:

<http://www.bth.ca.gov/capartnership/pdf/WaterQualitySupplyandReliability.pdf>

- Organize survey information into a database to catalog water-related needs: (a) water supply, (b) water quality, (c) flood control; and environmental enhancement.

Note: M. Chrisman suggested that flood control be prominently featured in final report to enhance opportunities for improving flood protection in San Joaquin Valley.

- Delineate legal and institutional barriers to meet regional water-related needs.
- Develop a Water Master Plan and Business Plan.

#### **Energy**

**Workgroup recommended that San Joaquin Valley Energy plan developers review recently released California Energy Commission Integrated Energy Policy Report for San Joaquin Valley specificity. Report link:** [http://www.energy.ca.gov/2005\\_energypolicy/index.html](http://www.energy.ca.gov/2005_energypolicy/index.html)

The Air/Water-Energy Workgroup reported out results and recommendations to the Partnership Board of Directors and public members. The Workgroup looks forward to developing and implementing a viable plan for enhancing the San Joaquin Valley.